

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1. **(Original)** A method of operating a lottery, comprising the steps of:
  - (a) receiving a result of a lottery drawing;
  - (b) comparing said result to a plurality of stored lottery entries;
  - (c) if said result corresponds to one of said plurality of stored lottery entries, identifying said one entry as a winning lottery entry;
  - (d) identifying at least one non-winning lottery entry from said plurality of stored lottery entries;
  - (e) repeating said steps (a), (b), (c) and (d) for at least one subsequent lottery drawing until said at least one non-winning lottery entry is identified as a winning lottery entry.

Claims 2-73 **(Cancelled)**